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Oct. 29 – Nov. 4, 2020



On Your
Mark, Get
Set...Vote!

Notes on Election Day
2020 in Hartford

BY DONNA SWARR

I spoke with Assistant Town Clerk Eric Lusa, and Registrar of Voters Giselle Feliciano to get an update on their progress as November 3rd draws near. Because the Town Clerk's office is a polling location, you can request the ballot there, fill it out, and drop it off all at the same time. The last day you can get an absentee ballot is Monday, November 2nd. As of Monday, October 26th 11,096 absentee ballots were mailed out and 6,736 have been returned. In previous presidential elections, the city has typically received about 3,000 absentee ballots. Eric Lusa told me that there will be tents set up in Burr Mall to handle Election Day registrations. They'll be using encrypted Wi-Fi.

The Registrar of Voters Office is also gearing up for Election Day. I asked what voters should expect when they arrive at their polling places. People are being asked to wear a mask. She told me that the line into the building will require people to stand six feet apart, and once they enter the

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FALL BACK!

Daylight Savings Time ends this Sunday, November 1, at 2:00 am. Remember to turn your clock back one hour before you go to bed Saturday night, October 31.



Raising Awareness of Domestic Violence

On Thursday, October 22, the Park Branch of Hartford Public Library (HPL) and the Hispanic Health Council (HHC) held Domestic Violence Awareness March down Park Street. Lila Ortiz (above, right) joined in the march with her two sons. Behind them are Vanessa Villar, Maria Nuñez and Alessandra Popolizio from Interval House's "Hope Beyond Fear," which offers specialized advocacy for victims of DV who are immigrants. At right are Sandra Rivera and HPL Park Branch Manager Graciela Rivera at the head of the march. (Hart photo)



Hartford...Once Upon a Time



In 1920, a new housing development was completed in Hartford's "Behind the Rocks" neighborhood by T.C. Desmond Company. The development was built on the block bordered by Zion Street, Allendale Road, Hillside Avenue and Catherine Street. Instead of building all the homes in the same style, which was common at the time, this development utilizes several different architectural designs. The building at center, for instance, is "mock tudor" in design. The photo was taken from Summit Street on the Trinity College campus. What is now Rocky Ridge Park can be seen in the foreground. While most of these homes remain intact, many others have been built in the area since. (Photo courtesy of the Hartford History Center at the Hartford Public Library)



NEWS BRIEFS

Food Distribution
Today and Tomorrow

Hartford Is United will distribute boxes of food to Hartford families who are in need four times this month: today, October 22, from 10am-2pm at Howard K. Hill Funeral Home, 319 Barbour Street, Hartford; Thursday, October 22, and Wednesday, October 28, from 10am-2pm at Dillon Stadium, 250 Huyshope Avenue; and Thursday, October 29, from 10am-2pm at Phillips Metropolitan Church, 2500 Main Street. Limit one box per family; face masks are required. This food distribution is sponsored by The Prosperity Foundation, KIEDC, Hartford Renaissance District and many other community organizations.

KNOX Clean-up of
Area Around Doc
Hurley Statue
Saturday

Join KNOX and the Hartford Chamber of Commerce this Halloween, Saturday, October 31st in cleaning and beautifying the green space surrounding Hartford's historical Walter "Doc" Hurley statue, located at the Woodland Street Entrance of Keney Park. Registration opens at 9:30 am, and the event will begin promptly at 10:00 am. Volunteers will engage in: litter pickup, park and street clean up, and removal of fallen branches. Light refreshments will be provided. Social distancing is encouraged and face masks are required to participate. For more information email or call or email Ashley Stewart, Director of Programs at (860)-951-7694.

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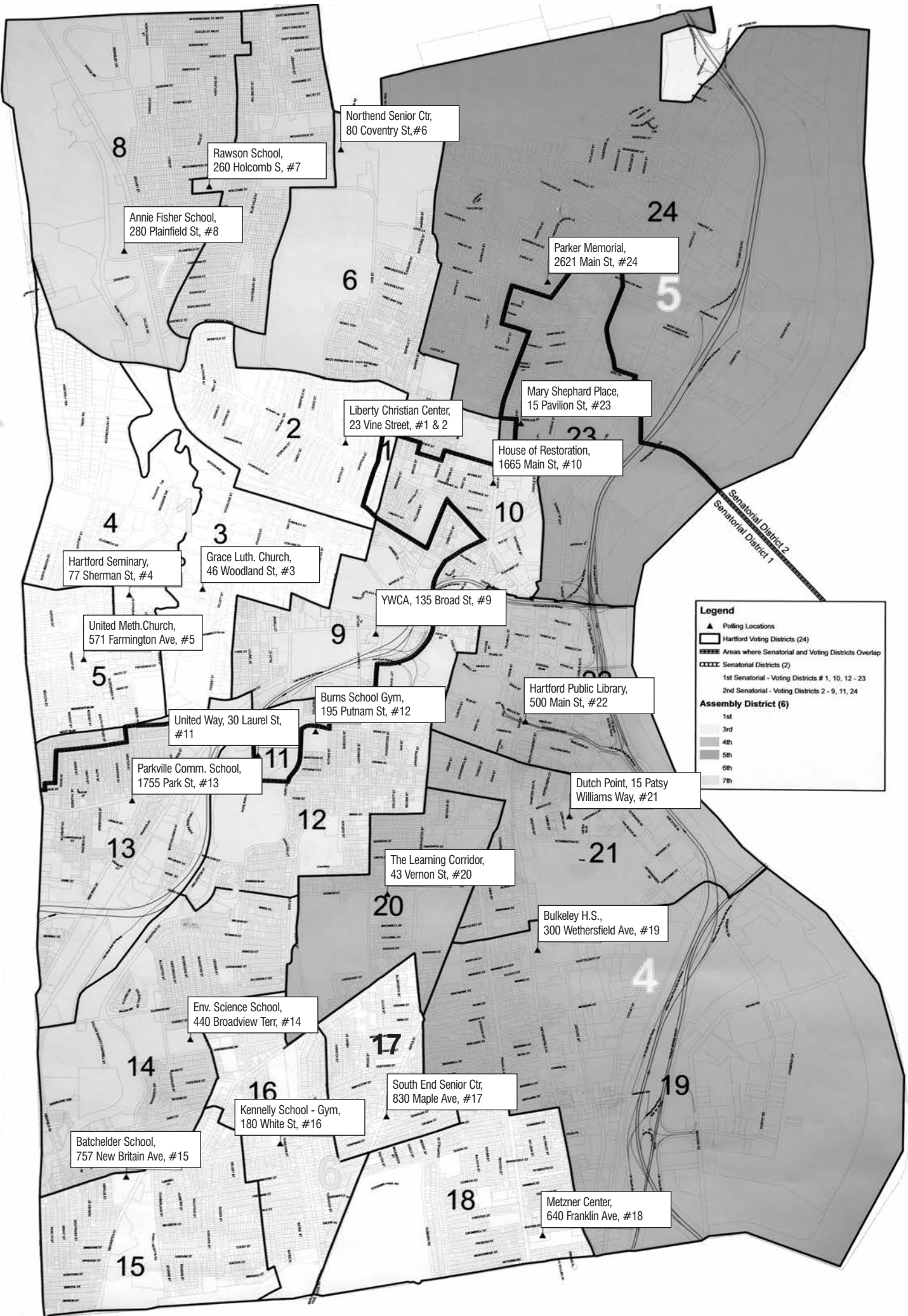
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Election 2020 • Tuesday, November 3 • The Candidates

Candidate Name		Party	Candidate Name		Party	Candidate Name		Party
President and Vice President			State Senator (2nd District)		State Representative (5th District)			
Howie Hawkins and Angela Walker		Green Party	Douglas McCrory		Democratic Party	Brandon L. McGee		Democratic Party
Jo Jorgensen and Spike Cohen		Libertarian Party				Charles Jackson		Independent Party
Joe Biden and Kamala Harris		Democratic Party	State Representative (1st District)			Charles Jackson		Republican Party
Donald Trump and Mike Pence		Republican Party	Mark Stewart Greenstein		Epic Party	State Representative (6th District)		
Representative in U.S. Congress (First District)			Matthew Ritter		Democratic Party	Edwin Vargas, Jr.		Democratic Party
John B. Larson		Democratic Party	Daniel Adam Piper		Socialist Resurgence Party	Edwin Vargas, Jr.		Working Families Party
John B. Larson		Working Families Party	State Representative (3rd District)			State Representative (7th District)		
Mary Fay		Republican Party	Minnie Gonzalez		Democratic Party	Joshua M. Hall		Democratic Party
Thomas E. McCormick		Green Party	State Representative (4th District)			Hartford Registrar of Voters		
State Senator (1st District)			Barry J. D’Andrea		Republican Party	Giselle "Gigi" Feliciano		Democratic Party
Barbara Ruhe		Republican Party	Julio A. Concepcion		Democratic Party	Sheila N. Hall		Petitioning Candidate
John W. Fonfara		Democratic Party				Vanessa Garay-Jackson		Republican Party
Mary L. Sanders		Green Party						
Polls Open 6am-8pm								

Polling Places

Voting District:	Polling Place & Address
1 (1st Assembly)	Liberty Christian Center, 23 Vine Street
2 (1st Assembly)	Liberty Christian Center, 23 Vine Street
3 (1st Assembly)	Grace Lutheran Church, 46 Woodland Street
4 (1st Assembly)	Hartford Seminary, 77 Sherman Street
5 (1st Assembly)	United Methodist Church, 571 Farmington Avenue
6 (7th Assembly)	Northend Senior Center 80 Coventry Street
7 (7th Assembly)	Rawson School, 260 Holcomb Street
8 (7th Assembly)	Annie Fisher School, 280 Plainfield Street
9 (7th Assembly)	YWCA, 135 Broad Street
10 (7th Assembly)	House of Restoration Church, 1665 Main Street
11 (3rd Assembly)	United Way of Central Northern CT, 30 Laurel Street
12 (3rd Assembly)	Burns School- Gym, 195 Putnam Street
13(3rd Assembly)	Parkville Community School, 1755 Park Street
14 (3rd Assembly)	Environmental Science School, 440 Broadview Terrace
15 (6th Assembly)	Batchelder School – Gym, 757 New Britain Avenue
16 (6th Assembly)	Kennelly School - Gym (Monroe St Entrance), 180 White Street
17 (6th Assembly)	South End Senior Wellness Center, 830 Maple Avenue
18 (6th Assembly)	Metzner Center (Columbus Park), 640 Franklin Ave
19 (4th Assembly)	Bulkeley High School, 300 Wethersfield Ave
20 (4th Assembly)	The Learning Corridor, 43 Vernon Street
21 (4th Assembly)	Dutch Point Community Room, 15 Patsy Williams Way
22 (4th Assembly)	Hartford Public Library, 500 Main Street
23 (5th Assembly)	Mary Shephard Place (Community Rm), 15 Pavilion Street
24 (5th Assembly)	Parker Memorial Comm. Ctr., 2621 Main Street



La Temporada de Elecciones Está Aquí.

Este noviembre, todos los votantes elegibles tienen una opción para la elección general: Votar con boleta de voto ausente debido al COVID-19, o votar en persona.

Votar con Voto Ausente

Todos los votantes registrados en Connecticut han recibido una solicitud por correo. Devuelva esta solicitud por correo o a través del buzón de votación en su alcaldía. Una vez que reciba su boleta de voto ausente, complétela y devuélvala por correo o por el buzón de votación.

Votar en Persona

¿Prefiere votar en persona? Use mascarilla, mantenga la distancia social y vote en su centro de votación el martes 3 de noviembre.

Para imprimir una solicitud de boleta electoral si es que no la ha recibido, busque su centro de votación o regístrese para votar, visitando: [MyVote.CT.gov](https://myvote.ct.gov)



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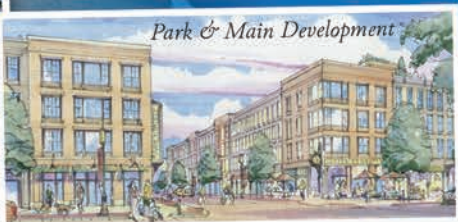
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June 11, 2020

The Long and Winding Road

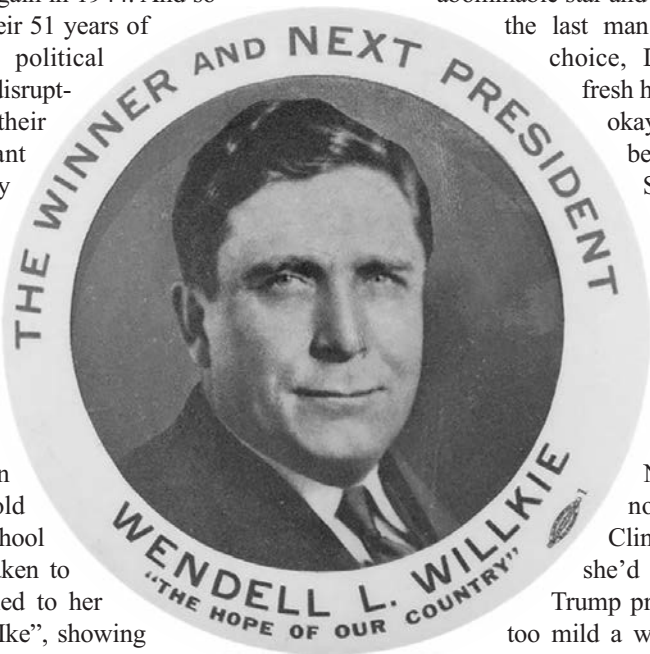
Nearing the finish line, thoughts on presidential elections, past and present

COMMENTARY BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

“I’m going to get an absentee ballot when I get around to it so I can give Willie my vote. How about you?”

That’s a line from a letter my mother in Springfield wrote to my father in Hartford on October 24th, 1940, ten days before their wedding. They would be honeymooning in New York City on election day, and my mom—about to cast her first vote at age 24—was a registered Republican. Dad was a Democrat and would vote for Roosevelt, just as he had in 1932 and 1936, and would again in 1944. And so it would go through their 51 years of marriage. They were political opposites but it never disrupted the harmony of their union. The important thing was that they always voted in every city, state, and national election, and instilled in my brothers and I that we had a duty to do the same.

My first election memory is from the spring of 1956. I was in kindergarten at the old New Park Avenue School and my mother had taken to wearing a button pinned to her coat that read “I Like Ike”, showing the smiling face of a bald guy who the 5-year-old me knew was the President of the United States. When I turned 10 in 1960, like every other 5th-grade kid I knew, I was for Kennedy. He was younger (Mom’s age), had a nice head of hair, and was not as scary-looking as the glowering Nixon. But true to form Vi wore a Nixon button then, and again in 1968 and 1972. In 1964 she was for Goldwater vs. Johnson. I wore her button on Halloween that year, the last time I went trick-or-treating, as a joke, thinking it would be good for a few laughs. Some random teenager took offense when he saw it on me, raised his leg, and actually kicked it; he was very agile. Between 1968 and 1972, my coming of age years, the world basically exploded: assassinations, the Vietnam War, black power, women’s liberation, Woodstock, drugs, and J. Edgar Hoover vs. the protesters. I was 22—my first opportunity to vote—and damn! My peers and I were all in for McGovern and we just knew...knew!...that our votes, the youth vote, would bring the demise of “Tricky Dick”. He won in a landslide. I picked a winner in 1976 when I voted for Carter, but the hubris was short-lived when it was followed by two terms of B-movie actor Reagan and



his scary wife who kept a “tiny little gun” in her bedside drawer. 1988 was Republican Bush, the elder and 2000 and 2004 was junior’s turn to lead the country. In between there were two Clinton terms. I voted for him both times. Then came 2008 and 2012, and hallelujah! The elation, the tears of joy, the pride in my country and its people; I’d never felt anything like it before or since. Obama was the answer to this voter’s prayer—twice!

2016: From an unprecedented field of Republican hopefuls came the unthinkable. Reality TV’s most abominable star and a total buffoon became the last man standing, the party’s choice, Donald Trump. What fresh hell was this? But it was okay, and I just laughed because I believed Bernie Sanders would emerge as the Democrats choice and he’d kick some Trump ass. Nope. So I held my nose and voted for Clinton because I was sure she’d put the kibosh on a Trump presidency. “Stunned” is too mild a word to describe how I felt. How about “gobsmacked”? The only thing about his win that personally did me any good over the past four years was the opportunity to play Trump’s worst nightmare and the catalyst for his redemption in a satirical play that ran for seven performances in 2017: “A Dystrumpian Christmas Carol”. But in real life, there was no redemption for Number 45.

I’m going to vote for Biden. Not holding my nose this time, but not wholeheartedly either; I was still holding out for Sanders. Joe’s okay, has plenty of experience, and the ability to be “presidential”. In addition, he comes off as sincere and eschews bluster and bombast. Also, I think as president he would surround himself with competent advisers and choose his appointees thoughtfully, e.g. there would no Betsy DeVos’s on his team. The thing that stands out the most to me about Biden is when he said enough with the “blue states” and the “red states”; we are the United States of America! Maybe it was just campaign rhetoric but if it is, it resonated with me. United we stand. Divided we fall. Here’s hoping I’ve picked another winner.

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Politically Speaking

A Fresh Look at Issues Facing our Region & State

BY MIKE MCGARRY

Chip Beckett: A Republican to Vote For

This year, in Connecticut, many voters are blindly voting Democratic to punish the Republican party for various perceived policy errors and/or its choice for president. That’s too bad, because in the last several elections lots of good, experienced men and women were lost to public service to the state – right when we needed them most.

Good government is a balanced government with competing goals and policies, with compromise and healthy back and forth. With the drift of the state toward overwhelming one-party rule, we all lose.

Glastonbury, however, has a chance to help reverse such a trend. The 31st District house race puts a G.O.P. challenger forth who would be a great addition to the capital district’s representation in the state legislature. Chip Beckett, with an impressive record of service in his town and the region, gets our nod as the kind of public servant who would add views and perspectives sorely needed in the Connecticut House.

In a year when the Republican party expects another massive defeat, Beckett would quickly rise to a position of leadership given his temperament and experience. Chip understands that all towns and cities in our region are tied together and cutthroat competition between Hartford and its neighbors helps neither. He has state-wide connections and knows all of Connecticut well.

His ideas on reducing the cost of public services, bringing some services closer to the taxpayer and treating everyone fairly are refreshing compared to the same-old, same-old that usually mark state legislative candidates.

Now, we know that most of the readers (both print and online) of the *Hartford News* live in Hartford or just outside of it. However, many of

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Support Interval House

There has been a lot of media coverage this year on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on domestic violence and how the conditions of quarantine and isolation create perfect opportunities for abusers that result in an enormous demand for the lifesaving work done by agencies like Interval House. We are grateful for any light that is shone on this issue.

In Hartford, we are seeing an astonishing rise in the number of victims seeking our help. Since April, we have managed a 54% increase in contacts (incoming and outgoing calls with victims) compared to the same period last year. We also have seen a 24% surge in the number of individual clients with whom we are now working. Our advocates who work directly with law enforcement are reaching out to nearly 100 women a month who are at high risk for homicide—women who are in trapped at home with abusers and who are being beaten with ever-escalating violence. In these situations, there is no option for delay. Our response must be immediate, or we risk losing a victim.

The skyrocketing requests for emergency shelter are almost overwhelming. Our Safe House has been over capacity all year, protecting women and children fleeing dangerous situations who have nowhere else to go. The demand has been so staggering, we have resorted to placing victims and their families in hotels at an unprecedented rate. Since April we have provided more than 900 bed nights to more than 60 adults and children in hotels—an unbudgeted cost of nearly \$70,000. We do not always know how we’re going to pay the bills but whatever the cost, we have not and will not turn anyone away who needs safe shelter. It is what we do.

I am so proud of the extraordinary efforts our team has made throughout the pandemic. Our small group of essential workers—our advocates—have remained on the front lines in the Safe House, Hotline and Courts, and have made remarkable strides in meeting the soaring need for our services. Every day, without fail, they are helping victims who are scared, newly homeless, traumatized, and who may have nowhere—and no one—else to turn to.

As we close out Domestic Violence Awareness Month this October, I would ask your readers two things. First, that if they or someone they know needs help, to call our 24/7 hotline at 888-774-2900. Second, for your readers who are in a position to help, to consider helping us close our fundraising gap this month at www.intervalhousect.org/donate. With the support of our community, we will continue to save lives, give a voice, and change the future.

Sincerely,
Mary-Jane Foster
President & CEO, Interval House

Monique Daley Joins Wheeler As Diversity Officer

Monique Daley, MS, has joined Wheeler as the first diversity officer at the organization, a statewide leader in integrated primary and behavioral health care.

In her new role, she will promote and monitor equity, diversity and inclusion for the Wheeler workforce and patients; lead the Wheeler Diversity and Inclusion Committee; monitor and review the effectiveness of diversity and inclusion efforts; promote full integration of National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in Health and Health Care (The National CLAS Standards) and health equity throughout Wheeler; and much more, including training and education, as well as ensuring Wheeler is working with minority-

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Election Day 2020

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building there will be sanitation stations. The official checkers will have plastic shields that have slots for you to pass identification documentation through. You will be given a folder with your ballot inside, as usual, and they will be handing out golf pencils, but you

prior to entering the polling places. Four poll workers were unable to perform their duties for the primary in August as they had come into contact people who had tested positive for the virus. This will most likely happen again, so additional workers have to be trained to ensure that they meet the staffing requirements.



can also bring your own pens—blue or black only. There will be fewer polling “booths” as they must be six feet apart. After you put your ballot into the ballot counter machine, there will be another sanitation station.

The Registrar’s office has decided not to pre-open the envelopes to ensure that there isn’t any confusion. They will have 40 specially-trained workers to assist on Election Day. Ms. Feliciano’s goal is to have all of the absentee ballots scanned and the unofficial report sent out by midnight.

They will have to wait until after 5 p.m. on Monday when the Secretary of State’s office closes before they can print the books of registered voters. Most likely, they won’t start the process of marking until after 8 p.m. on Monday night when the absentee ballots have been returned. Each polling location receives the official list of voters for them to mark off when come in to vote. If you still have your absentee ballot on election day, you can drop it off at your polling place.

What about the polling places? How will they be prepared? The day before the election every one of them will be disinfected using a chemical fogging solution. Using chemical disinfectants to clean the stations with a “fog” or mist is a method that is commonly used in the food industry. The same process will be used the day after the election. During the day, the bathrooms and eating areas will be routinely cleaned according to the COVID requirements set forth by the State of Connecticut. Workers will have their temperatures taken

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HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS!

Urban League Trunk Or Treat Party Oct. 30

Hartford children and teens are invited to a fun, free outdoor event that includes the safe distribution of candy. The Urban League of Greater Hartford will present its first-ever “Trunk or Treat” on Friday, October 30 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the parking lot of the Urban League’s office at 140 Woodland St. (corner of Woodland St. and Sargeant St.) in Hartford, Conn.

In case of rain, the event will be held on Friday, November 6 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. All (including adults) are encouraged to come in costume.

Decorated cars and booths – hosted by community organizations, companies and individuals – will safely distribute prepackaged candy and treats in a tailgate-style. Featured will be a deejay, Double-Dutch jump rope demonstrations, children’s books giveaway, an arts & crafts booth, selfie photo opportunities, a variety of prizes, and the first ever, ULGH costume parade.

Attendees should wear masks throughout the entirety of the event (masks also will be available for those who need), cars and booths will be socially distanced, and COVID-19 safety protocols will be observed.

Pre-registration online is recommended at Eventbrite at <https://ulghtrunkortreat.eventbrite.com> or call 860-527-0147 ext. 160.

All young children should be accompanied by an adult. Parade times are 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

To volunteer to help at the event, donate candy or giveaways, make a contribution to the Urban League, or to get more information, call the Urban League of Greater Hartford at 860-527-0147 ext. 160.

Parkville Market Harvest Fest this Saturday

Parkville Market, 1400 Park Street, Hartford, will host a Harvest Fest on Halloween Day, October 31, from 10 am - 9 pm. The Market, home to 18 unique restaurants and two bars, will have both indoor and outdoor dining available along with fun fall activities taking place throughout the day.

- Live music from 3:00-6:00 PM by The Meadow Brothers, hosted in conjunction with Parkville Sounds
- Outdoor pop-ups of local Hartford vendors
- Safe trick or treat opportunities for kids inside the market
- Specialty beverages for both adults and children
- Halloween-themed trivia from 7:00-10:00 PM

The Halloween-themed trivia will be taking place inside the Market in the evening beginning at 7 PM and be sure to reserve your parties table in advance. The trivia host, BarRated Trivia, will be coordinating a costume contest where 3 winners will be chosen and win a gift card to Parkville Market!

Per State guidelines, face masks are required at all times on-site, except while seated at a table, both inside and outside the Market. All tables are to set a maximum of eight individuals. Customers are asked to maintain six feet distance from other customers.

For questions or reservation information, please contact hello@parkvillemarket.com.



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A Few Remaining Dirty Tricks by a Very Dirty Trump

COMMENTARY BY BILL KATZ

October Surprise I: Ruddy Kadudy* Giuliani, or Gouliani, take your pick this Halloween, finds a hard drive, a copy of which was made by a blind computer repair guy in New Jersey who thinks it was Hunter Biden who dropped it off for repair but isn't sure because he is almost blind and couldn't quite make out the person giving him the laptop.

And the hard drive purportedly implicates Hunter with all kinds of illegal activity in Ukraine, which

just so happens to be my grandfather's or grandmother's country of origin. I'm not sure which came from where but I think grandpa was the Lithuanian.

October Surprise II: October Surprise I didn't work so this past Sunday, a caravan of cars full of Jews, hum, my daddy's people, set out from Coney Island to Trump Tower in Manhattan on their way to a Brooklyn park for a rally. But a funny thing happens in midtown as

crowds somehow already know about the arrival of this impending-caravan and toss paint (yep everyone carries paint around with them) and pull Trump flags off the caravan. They just happened to be waiting around for a caravan of Trump supporters. And then a few protestors pepper spray inside a car with children inside. This is otherwise known as an agent provocateurs moment trying for a more successful October Surprise II. The protestors just happened to be carrying pepper spray and a car with children inside just happen to have their windows rolled down.

Donald Trump, do you have no shame. And right on cue, former Mayor Gouliani is seen riding in one of the cars, sacrificing children to score votes.

**"Rudy Kadudy" was the name I gave to Rudy, the shoe salesman my mother always brought me to in West Hartford Center for my new shoes.*

Which leads me to offering my book, *Donald's Vanity Tantrums* for sale: The soft cover is only \$15 plus tax = \$15.95. (I also have a hard cover version for \$24 plus tax.) I will sign it and deliver it to you personally or ship at no charge.

For Immediate Release: "Trump's Vanity Tantrums"

"You will never find a more wretched hive of scum and villainy."
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Has there ever been a more self-absorbed and narcissistic American president? From one twitter-storm to the next snit-storm, has an American leader ever exhibited such a faulty grasp of reality?

And yet a third of the electorate loves him. If he said "jump off the cliff" they would. And they have! No it's not "Wag the Dog" or "1984" or "Bulworth". If only ...!!! Those are all fiction. This is the real spectacle of democracy in free fall that we watch nightly on MSNBC, CNN, and FOX.

From Hartford wit, song writer and activist Bill Katz comes a fresh take on this hilarious but critical moment in the decline of American politics.

No platitudes, no solutions. Just a mordantly honest collage of controversial observations about Donald and the cabal of crooks surrounding him.

And get this the congressional and presidential mayhem described is often in their own words. Political satire rarely gets more razor sharp than this.

Bill Katz, 166 Linnmoore Street, Hartford, CT, 06114, bkatz321@gmail.com 860-956-2844

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- AFCAMP
- Catholic Charities
- Connecticut Students for a Dream
- East Hartford Public Library
- Full Citizens Coalition
- Hartford Next
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- Hartford Public Library
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EDWIN
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PARA REPRESENTANTE ESTATAL
DEMÓCRATA 6^{TO} DISTRITO

Amigo Demócrata del 6to Distrito de Hartford:
Como Representante Estatal, Edwin Vargas ha velado por la
seguridad y bienestar de los residentes del Distrito 6,
durante la pandemia.

Hoy más que nunca, debemos re-elegir a Edwin Vargas
para proteger nuestros beneficios y planes de salud.

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El martes 3 de noviembre, re-elija al demócrata Edwin Vargas
como Representante Estatal del Distrito 6 en la Línea A.

EL MARTES 3 DE NOVIEMBRE VOTE LÍNEA "A"

LÍNEA "A"

Pagado y aprobado por Edwin Vargas for State Representative 2020. Manny Goulart, Tesorero.



Hope Garden Plantings North and South

Volunteers have begun planting Hartford’s Community Hope Gardens, a community engagement initiative to commemorate Hartford residents who have passed away due to COVID-19. These gardens will be composed of yellow daffodils that will be planted at gateway locations around the entire city. On Saturday, a planting was held outside SAND School on Main Street (above). Volunteers included Bonnie Solberg from Hartford Public Library and Tam’naja Benson and Mya Moses from the Hartford Youth Service Corps. On Sunday, a planting was held at the FREE Center on New Britain Avenue. Volunteers included Tayor Butler and Carmen Zayas (middle) and Emily Gianquinto and Malcolm Goodwin (bottom). Plantings will be held this week at the Metzner Center, 680 Franklin Avenue, from 4-5:30 pm today, October 29; and at the Willie Ware Center, 697 Windsor Street, from 3-5 pm on Friday, October 30. Finally, at 10 am on Saturday, November 7, there will be a planting in Colt Park and on Wethersfield Avenue. Volunteers are asked to meet at the Colt Memorial Statue off of Wethersfield Ave. Bring a trowel if you have one. Parking along the street across from the park. You must register to participate due to COVID-19 restrictions. All attendees must wear a mask. The group will be limited to 12. Email donnaswarr@gmail.com if you would like to help out.



Mike McGarry

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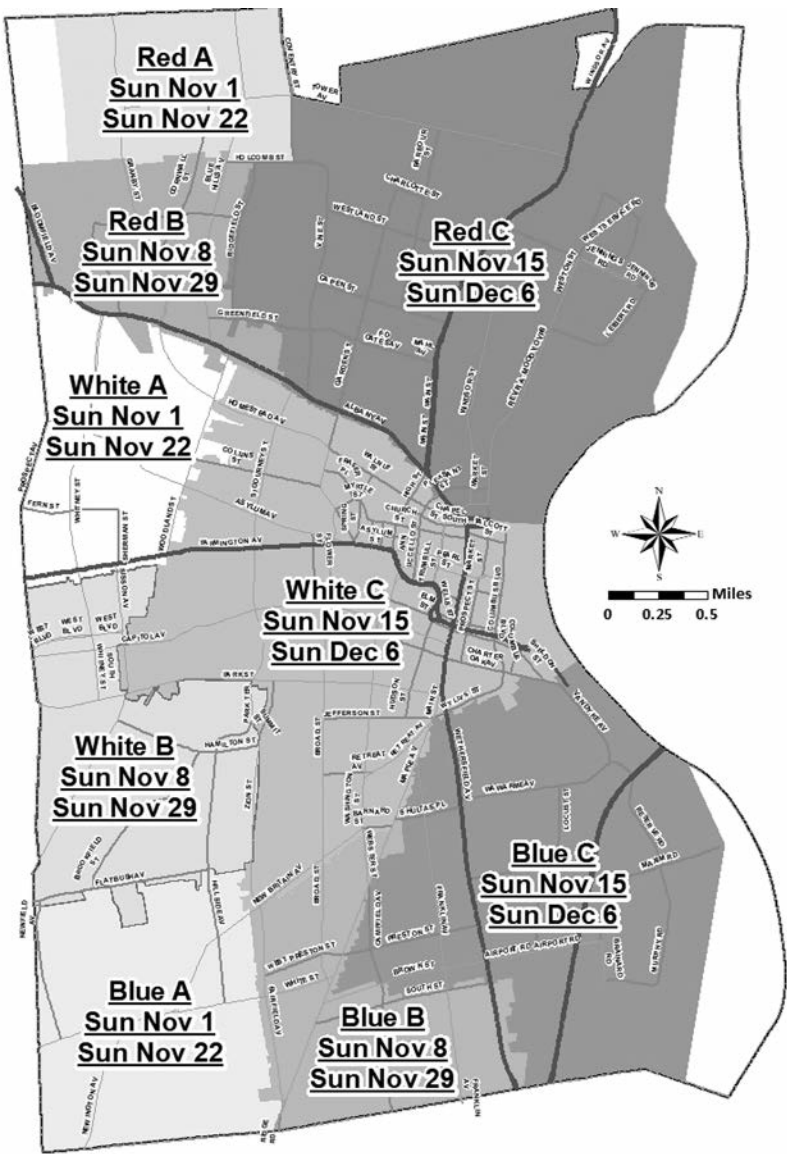
us know a friend, relative or business associate from Glastonbury. For example, many of those who have taken Hartford Blooms tours have come from there to enjoy the sights of the city. It’s less than 10 minutes from Downtown Hartford, after all.

We feel it has been and honor to

know several members of the extended Beckett family. They, as a family and as individuals, have added dramatically to the quality of life in Greater Hartford over the years. Imagine what Chip Beckett could do as a State Representative. Beckett’s email is chipbeckett.com or on Facebook: Becket for Glastonbury.

Department Of Public Works
Fall 2020 Leaf
Collection Program

Departamento De Obras Publicas
Programa De Recoleccion
De Hojas Durante Otoño



The City of Hartford Fall Leaf Collection Program is designed to allow residents to dispose of fallen leaves prior to the first heavy snowfall. During the Program, residents are asked to identify the disposal options that work best for their household as listed below and follow the zone schedule for curbside collection.

The City is divided into three (3) zones for easy, fast and convenient collection.

- North - consists of areas north of Albany Avenue, including all of the Blue Hills and Northeast NRZs.
- Central - consists of central areas that fall south of Albany Avenue, north of New Britain and Flatbush Avenues and east of Prospect Street.
- South - consists of areas south of Flatbush Avenue and the Sheldon/Charter Oak, Maple Ave, South End and South West NRZs.

There are three (3) options for residential leaf disposal:

- 1. CURBSIDE COLLECTION: Two (2) times between November 1st and December 11th**
 - Coordinated by zones, residents can rake leaves curbside for pick up
 - Residents are to rake leaves to curb, NOT STREETS, by Sunday prior to week of collection
 - See map or visit www.Hartford.gov/leaf-collection for street by street collection dates
 - Leaves MUST NOT be raked to curb after week of collection, it will not be collected
- 2. PAPER LEAF BAG COLLECTION: November 1st to December 11th ONLY**
 - Place paper leaf bags curbside during week of collection.
 - Leaves placed in plastic garbage bags will not be collected. Plastic Bags are not biodegradable
- 3. LEAF BAG DROPOFF: Year-round (GREEN PERMIT REQUIRED)**
 - Obtain FREE Green permit: Visit 50 Jennings Road, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am – 5:00pm
 - Bring paper leaf bags to Waste & Recycling Center: 180 Leibert Road, Tuesday - Saturday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

El Programa de Recolección de Hojas Otoño en la Ciudad de Hartford está diseñado para recolectar las hojas caídas antes de la primera nevada fuerte. Durante el periodo de recolección se les pide a los residentes que identifique las opciones de disposición que funcionan para su hogar sigan el calendario de su zona y las instrucciones que se enumeran a continuación.

La Ciudad se divide en tres (3) zonas para una recolección fácil, rápida y conveniente.

- Norte - se compone de áreas al norte de la avenida Albany, incluyendo todo Blue Hills y Noreste del NRZ.
- Centro - se compone de áreas centrales que están al sur de la avenida Albany, y al norte de las avenidas New Britain y Flatbush y al este de la calle Prospect.
- Sur - se compone de áreas al sur de la avenida Flatbush, la calle Sheldon/Charter Oak, la avenida Maple, South End y South West NRZs.

Hay tres (3) opciones de recolección de hojas:

- 1. RECOLECCIÓN EN LA ACERA: Solamente dos veces entre 1 de noviembre hasta 11 de diciembre**
 - Coordinado por zonas, los residentes pueden rastrillar las hojas hasta la acera para la recolección.
 - Residentes deben rastrillar las hojas hasta la acera, NO EN LA CALLE, el domingo antes de recolección.
 - Vea el mapa en la parte de atrás o visite www.Hartford.gov/leaf-collection para las fechas de la colección de la calle por la calle.
 - Las hojas NO DEBEN ser rastrilladas hacia la acera después de la semana de recolección, no serán recogidas.
- 2. RECOLECCIÓN DE HOJAS EN BOLSAS DE PAPEL: 1 de noviembre hasta el 11 de diciembre**
 - Coloque las bolsas de papel para la recolección de hojas en la acera durante el periodo de recolección.
- 3. ENTREGA DE LA RECOLECCION DE HOJAS EN BOLSAS: Todo el año (PERMISO VERDE REQUERIDO)**
 - Obtenga el permiso verde: Visite 50 Jennings Road, de lunes a viernes, de 8:30 am a 5:00 pm
 - Llevar las bolsas de papel para la recolección de hojas al Centro de Basura y Reciclaje - 180 Leibert Road: martes-sábado, 9:00 am a 2:00 pm

HGLHC One Big Event is November 14

The Hartford Gay & Lesbian Health Collective is inviting all its friends, associates and even strangers to join them for a special night unlike any other. The Health Collective's One Big Event gala is always a special evening. This year it is even more unique and important.

One Big Event will be virtual this year. Support us from the comfort of your home. Or join your friends 6 feet apart and help the LGBTQ+ agency that makes a difference in the community. These are hard times for everyone.

Your participation will keep it going! Please RSVP at hglhc.org/hglhc-content/2369. You



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Health Collective
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can register to attend and we ask you to consider making a donation

to the Health Collective at that time. You can still be a sponsor or program book advertiser or auction donor. Don't delay! Your participation makes a difference to our agency and the community we serve.

Special guest for the event will be the "Queen among Queens," the one and only, Varla Jean Merman. Varla has been a big supporter of the Health Collective over the years.

If you want to get involved, contact Dan Millett at (860)278-4163 x118.



Voter Jamboree in Keney Park

On Saturday, October 24, Hartford Health Initiative, Inc. and several other community organizations held a "Get Out and Vote Jamboree in Keney Park (Woodland Street entrance). Staffing the Hartford Police recruitment booth (above) were Officer Victor Marquez, Sergeant Steve Austin and Lieutenant Marisol Rodriguez. Among the volunteers helping to register new voters were (below) Parishe Smith, Chriss-Ann Folkes, Vanessa Whitton, Betsy Lindsay and Trevelle Harris (Hart photos)



Daley Joins Wheeler

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and women-owned businesses.

Daley reports directly to President and CEO Sabrina Trocchi, PhD, MPA.

"2020 has shown such wide chasms in our state and country, and organizations must do better," says Trocchi. "Wheeler serves 30,000 individuals and families every year, in 90% of the state's cities and towns. My 1,000 colleagues are diverse, talented, and represent all backgrounds, identities, genders, and ethnicities. Monique will help guide us to ensure our practices are grounded and culturally responsive, our culture and services represent the communities we serve, our external and internal messaging is culturally appropriate, and that we

are doing everything we can to make a more just, equitable tomorrow for the state."

"We are at a critical point in addressing systemic disparities particularly towards historically marginalized groups," says Daley. "Therefore, we can no longer speak about diversity, equity, or inclusion without the commitment of becoming what we speak. I look forward to working with the leadership at Wheeler to ensure that practices and policies continue to be a just representation of who we are and those we serve."

Before Wheeler, Daley served as the training and program coordinator at the Women and Gender Resource Action Center at Trinity College under the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. In

her role, she worked closely with constituents across campus to address campus culture and climate as it relates to diversity, equity, and inclusion; coordinated speakers on trending and intersecting issues to the greater community; implemented Title IX-related programming; and more.

Before Trinity College, she spent nearly a decade at Central Connecticut State University and also worked at the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford.

She is a Fulbright Scholar with experience in Ghana, West Africa, holds a master's in communication from Central Connecticut State University, and is pursuing her doctorate in educational leadership at the University of Hartford.

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Este 3 de noviembre, asegúrate que estás listo para votar en las Elecciones Generales.

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Hartford Athletic Match For A Cause Raises Over \$19,000 For Boys & Girls Clubs Of Hartford

Hartford Athletic announced today that the 2020 Match for a Cause raised \$19,580 for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford. Stanley Black & Decker, the presenting partner of the Match for a Cause for a second consecutive year, fully matched the donations raised by Hartford Athletic.

“We are so proud to have raised over \$19,000 for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford,” said Jordan Charlupski, Hartford Athletic Vice President of Revenue and Strategic Initiatives. “Our fans continue to go above and beyond in their support of our Club and our community, and this initiative once again shows why we have the best fans and partners in the world.”

Hartford Athletic wore a special red kit, which featured the Boys and Girls Club logo, in coordination with United Nations Global Goal Number 4: Quality Youth Education. Each player issued jersey was autographed and auctioned online, as were other Hartford Athletic experiences.

“As an extraordinary community partner of our Clubs, we are honored to have been named the beneficiary of the Hartford Athletic Match for a Cause this year and so grateful for the generous match of

all proceeds by Stanley Black & Decker,” said Samuel S. Gray, Jr., President & CEO of BGCH. “During these challenging times, our Clubs play an even more vital role than ever in supporting the social, emotional and academic needs of our young people, including help with meeting basic needs.”

“This year’s charity match was incredibly impactful given the current environment,” said Stanley Black & Decker’s Director of Public Affairs, Abigail Dreher. “COVID-19 has created significant challenges for parents and families as they navigate the back-to-school landscape. We’re honored to have partnered with Hartford Athletic to support the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford in their critical virtual education efforts, which is why we proudly doubled the match this year in support of our communities.”

The match, which took place on September 23rd, ended in a 1-1 draw with Philadelphia Union II. Last season, Hartford defeated Loudoun United FC 5-1 in the first ever Match For A Cause while wearing Orange kits in support of United Nations Global Goal Number 5: Gender Equality.





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Iran Brugueras Jr. SPLASH Fund Makes First Grant to Advocacy Unlimited’s Toivo Center

Since childhood, rapper Iran Brugueras, Jr. courageously and publicly battled mental illness. He used music and poetry, combining both into performance art, as a positive message and a coping mechanism for people like him who are living with this disease. Many of the songs he wrote illuminated his reality, in hopes of increasing awareness about mental illness. Following his death in a car accident in 2016, his family started the S.P.L.A.S.H. Project, an homage to his stage name and an acronym for Special People Looking & Aiming for Success & Health, as a way of honoring his memory and the values he embodied.

The S.P.L.A.S.H Project’s mission is to create a platform that promotes spirituality, empowerment, health & success; encouraging individuals to reach their full potential by identifying and reducing barriers, raising community awareness and nurturing family dynamics. The first initiative of the S.P.L.A.S.H. Project was the creation of the Iran Brugueras Jr. SPLASH Fund at the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. The fund supports inner city children and young adults who suffer from mental illness, focusing on the importance of a multi-disciplinary and holistic care approach to medication and treatment, the positive impact of art (especially performance art) and music, and the

role that families and primary caregivers play (especially fathers, blended families, divorced families, primary care givers who are in substance abuse recovery, and those families where parents are deceased.)

After fundraising for several years, the Fund was able to award its first \$5,000 grant to Advocacy Unlimited’s Toivo Center in Hartford. The Toivo Center provides alternative treatments like bilingual yoga, music and art therapy to residents where they typically would not have the awareness of or access to these services.

“The outpouring support from the community, family and friends have helped reach our goal to fund the first nonprofit organization that aligns with the vision of our proj-

ect,” said Iran’s stepmother, Nora Brugueras. “We are humbled to be able to award this grant in Iran Jr.’s memory. The Toivo Center is a peer-run organization that has caught the eye of several of the committee members early on our journey. During the pandemic we have seen that many more people are experiencing mental health crises. Despite the many challenges COVID has created, the Center never shut down and used their creativity to offer innovative virtual resources keeping in mind the safety of the community and staff.”

In appreciation for the grant and as a tribute to Iran Brugueras Jr.’s memory, Toivo Center is naming its new stage after the late poet and hip-hop artist.

Italian Night Drive Thru Fundraiser

The Youth Ministry Group (YMG) at North American Martyrs Parish in East Hartford will hold an Italian Dinner Fundraiser on Wednesday, November 14. Proceeds will be used to help pay for the TMG’s 2021 Mission Trip.



Dinners can be picked up from 3-5:30 pm Saint Mary’s Hall (Parking Lot), 30 Maplewood Ave, East Hartford. The menu includes sausage & peppers (or meatballs) with pasta and roll and italian ice. A vegetarian option is also available. Cost is \$10 per dinner. Tickets must be purchased by November 9th. There will also be a 50/50 Raffle. Tickets available at time of food pickup. For ticket sales call YGM Volunteers Lucie Almeida, (860) 289-7916 or Tony Matta, (860) 833-8573.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Joan H. Troncoso, AKA Joan Troncoso (20-00900)

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Benjamin Hernandez (20-00695)

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Hartford Rec Division 2020 Fall Aquatics Program

Parker Memorial Community Center, 2621 Main Street, Hartford, will host a variety of swimming programs this fall. You must pre-register via hartfordct.myrec.com. No registration via in person or by phone. Please register for each program separately. You can call to confirm or cancel same day registration, 860-757-0820

Water Aerobics: Tuesdays & Thursdays 11:15-12pm

Lap Swim: Monday-Friday 12:30 – 1:15pm

Rec Swim Stroke Development: Monday- Friday 1:45-2:30pm

Rec Swim: Monday – Friday 3:00-3:45 pm

Rec Swim: Monday – Friday 4:15-5:00 pm

Swim Lessons/Water Safety: Monday- Friday 5:30-6:15pm

Family Swim: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 6:45-7:30pm

Water Aerobics: Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:45-7:30pm

News Briefs

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WECA Mask Give-Away this Sunday

The West End Civic Association (WECA) will have a drive-thru face mask give-away this Sunday, November 1, from 12-3 pm at Noah Webster School, 5 Cone Street in Hartford’s West End neighborhood. One pack of 10 masks will be given to each vehicle while supplies last. Those who wish to receive the masks are asked to remain in their vehicles and keep their own masks on. Support for this project was provided by State Representative Matt Ritter and the Connecticut State Police.

Hartford History Center Now Open By Appointment

The Hartford History Center at Hartford Public Library, 500 Main Street, is now open by appointment! Appointments are limited to 90 minute sessions and will be scheduled at the discretion of the History Center staff. Masks and health condition intake forms will be required at the time of the visit. Please contact Maureen Heher, Historical Research Specialist to schedule an appointment, (860) 695-6297, mheher@hplct.org. The History Center’s collections can also be accessed at hhc.hplct.org and in the CT Digital

Archive. Please follow us on Instagram [@hartfordhistory](https://www.instagram.com/hartfordhistory) for fun and informative visual posts and news.

Free WiFi at Good Shepherd Church

The Church of the Good Shepherd is offering free outdoor WiFi to students. Wifi is available on the south side of the church building next to the parking lot. The church address is 155 Wyllys Street in the Coltsville neighborhood of Hartford. Connection information is posted next to the parking lot. Signal strength is adequate to be used from a car parked in the lot. There are canopies on the church lawn that can be used for shelter in case of rain.

HPL Seeks Musicians for Baby Grand Jazz Series

Hartford Public Library is accepting submissions for its 2021 Baby Grand Jazz series, which runs 16 Sundays from January through April. These popular free concerts have been a staple of Hartford Public Library since 2004. Ensembles must include a pianist who will play the Library’s grand piano. HPL will livestream the concerts on HPL’s Facebook and YouTube channel. These will be virtual performances, no live audience. The library is accepting rolling submissions. For informa-

tion about the Baby Grand Jazz series, visit hplct.org/classes-seminars-exhibits/baby-grand-jazz

Jazz Society Fundraiser

The Hartford Jazz Society (HJS) will present its 60th Anniversary Concert and Fundraiser, Friday November 13, 7-9pm on HJS Facebook Live. Special guest will be trombonist/seashellist Steve Turre. Mr Turre will be leading an all-star sextet with: Orion Turre, drums; Wallace Roney Jr., trumpet; Emilio Modeste, tenor saxophone; Isaiah Thompson, piano; and Corcoran Holt, acoustic bass. This event is also serving as HJS’s annual fundraiser, with all donations going towards our programming and scholarship activities. Please donate now, during the event or afterwards at: hartfordjazzsociety.com/donate/. Like the recent PBMNJ Concerts, all concerts in this Fall series can be viewed on the Hartford Jazz Society facebook page (note: you do not have to be a FB subscriber to view these events). Facebook members should LIKE the HJS page to make sure you are notified for all the events. If you would like to support the Hartford Jazz Society to fund streaming concerts, please consider making a donation or becoming a member.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Franklin Anderson (20-00872)

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Barbara M. Tilden (20-00747)

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El Informativo Latino

El alcalde de Hartford, Luke Bronin pide a los residentes no salir en Halloween a pedir dulces



El alcalde de Hartford, Luke Bronin, la directora de salud Liany Arroyo, y el jefe de bomberos y director de manejo de emergencias, Reginald Freeman, dijeron ayer sobre una conferencia de prensa que el aumento de casos de coronavirus en Hartford es alarmante y les pidieron a los residentes a que no vayan a pedir dulces de puerta en puerta y, en su lugar, busquen otras formas creativas de disfrutar el fin de semana de “Halloween”. El maletero del carro debe servir para recolectar dulces, solo si es un drive-thru, agregó Bronin. También se le

pidió a los residentes que no repartan dulces. Bronin pidió a los residentes que evitaren las fiestas, citando restricciones de COVID-19. Además, sugirió tener una fiesta pequeña con las personas con las que se comparten hogar en lugar de una fiesta grande. En el momento hay una alerta roja de COVID-19 en 19 ciudades de Connecticut por la cantidad de casos positivos en cada ciudad. Hartford es una de las ciudades que recibió la alerta. El alcalde Bronin dijo que la ciudad publicará un anuncio que describe las

recomendaciones de seguridad para Halloween en su sitio web. Una declaración en el sitio web de CT DPH dice que las actividades tradicionales de Halloween tienen un alto riesgo de propagar COVID-19, pero existen alternativas para divertirse y estar seguro. Algunas de las alternativas son los concursos de disfraces virtuales o una noche de cine de Halloween con personas que viven en tu casa. El Departamento de salud pública de CT pide evitar las actividades tradicionales como casas embrujadas bajo un techo.

By Iris Rodriguez

Tasa de positividad de COVID-19 de Connecticut aumenta a 4.1%

La tasa de positividad de la prueba de COVID-19 de Connecticut saltó a 4.1% el martes, la tasa de infección más alta que el estado ha registrado en meses. El gobernador Ned Lamont hizo el anuncio durante una conferencia de prensa. Ha dicho que le preocupa que la tasa de positividad de las pruebas del estado aumente semanalmente. La semana pasada, Connecticut vio dos días en los que la tasa de positividad fue del 3% o cerca. "Eso no es inesperado, pero aún así te despierta como una ducha

fría", dijo Lamont. También hay 22 hospitalizaciones adicionales, dijo Lamont. "Por eso es tan importante que mantengamos todo distanciamiento social y usemos una máscara", dijo el gobernador. Hizo hincapié en la práctica de protocolos de seguridad al ir a votar el día de las elecciones. Lamont dijo que están rastreando las infecciones para determinar la fuente de ellas y parecen propagarse a través de interacciones sociales informales. By Iris Rodriguez

Hispanic Health Council Names New Chief Executive Officer

The Hispanic Health Council has announced that Kenneth A. Barela has been named the organization's next chief executive officer. Barela, a native of Colorado with extensive experience in non-profit management and fundraising, succeeds Jose Ortiz, who retired in September. Barela's experience includes executive positions with Pikes Peak Behavioral Health, a \$50 million non-profit behavioral healthcare provider, time as a regional vice president for development at the American Heart Association, and most recently as executive director of Avanza Latino, a national educational internet media organization dedicated to promoting the Latino community with a focus on five core pillars: financial viability, health, education, cultural heritage, and civic engagement. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army/Army Reserves as an infantry officer, and served four terms as the mayor of Fountain, Colorado. "Ken is the exactly the leader we need to bring the Hispanic Health Council to the next level," said Dr. Luis Dies-Morales, chairman of the Hispanic Health Council Board of Directors. "During his tenure, Jose Ortiz expanded the Hispanic Health Council's reach. The next step is a

national presence, and Ken is the person we need to lead us into the future." In addition to its reputation for excellence in delivery of a wide range of community health, clinical, and other services, the Hispanic Health Council is distinguished by its use of community-based research, policy and system advocacy, and provider training to promote health equity and change systems aimed at improving healthcare for all. Barela said he was impressed by the Hispanic Health Council's history of improving the health and social well-being of Latinos and other diverse groups and looks forward to bringing his creative approach to non-profit management and development to spread the council's unique understanding of what works in Latino communities to improve lives on a broader scale. "I feel my Latino heritage deeply," Barela said. "There is no justification for the persistence of systemic racism and inequality. I believe that everyone has a right to excellent healthcare, and the right to living conditions that support health. The Hispanic Health Council not only supports these ideals, it makes them happen. I want to thank the Board of Directors for this incredible opportunity."

Ken is expected to begin his new role on November 1. Events to welcome him to the community will be planned as soon as it is safe.

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